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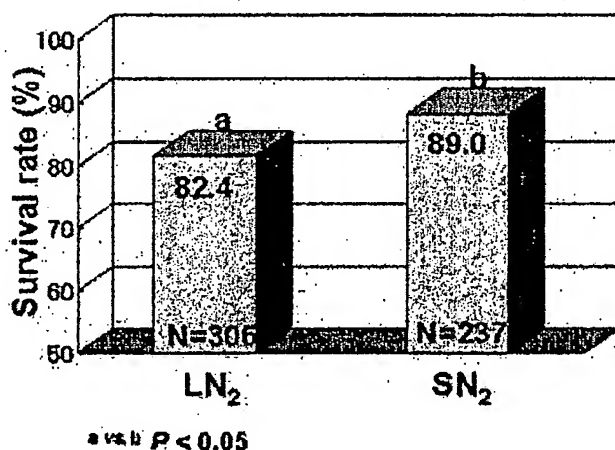
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transfer instrument and the human oocytes  
directly into a slushed nitrogen (N slush),  
wherein the human oocytes are directly  
exposed to the N slush thereby undergoing  
vitrification, and wherein the human  
oocytes are able to live for a period of time  
after the human oocytes are devitrified.